GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Stock Limits
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has urged the States to ensure that the stock limits for both wholesalers and retailers are enforced to avoid any hoarding, if so, the details thereof and the response of the States thereto; and
(b) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to check the abnormal trend of speculation in the market and control the prices of pulses in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b) : Yes Madam. Government has advised the States to impose stock limits, if not imposed and to enforce the stock limits on pulses effectively. Central enforcement agencies and State Governments have been asked to take all necessary steps against speculators. The States have been advised to hold regular periodic meetings with wholesalers and retailers to enforce the stock limits on pulses and bring down the prices of pulses in the country. Statements of Stock Limits imposed by States/ UTs and Action Taken Report on enforcement of the stock limits during 2016 is Annexed.
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